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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO. [BILL NUMBER]

State land lease negotiation coordination.

Sponsored by: Joint Agriculture, State and Public Lands &  
Water Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to state lands; requiring notice and  
2 opportunity to comment on state land leasing applications;  
3 and providing for an effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 36-3-102 by creating a new subsection  
8 (e), 36-5-114(d) and 36-6-101 by creating a new subsection  
9 (p) are amended to read:

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11 **36-3-102. Duties generally.**

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1       (e) Upon receipt of any new application for  
2 purchasing, leasing, entering, locating or in any manner  
3 acquiring title to, interest in, or any benefit from or use  
4 of any lands belonging to the state of Wyoming and under  
5 the control of the board of land commissioners, the  
6 director shall provide notice and opportunity to comment on  
7 the application to all owners, lessees or lawful occupants  
8 of adjoining lands. When reporting his decisions as  
9 required under subsection (a) of this section to the board  
10 for its approval, the director shall include in the report  
11 any comments received from owners, lessees or lawful  
12 occupants of adjoining lands.

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14       **36-5-114. Leasing for industrial, commercial and**  
15 **recreational purposes; authority; rental fees; rules and**  
16 **regulations.**

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18       (d) The board shall promulgate rules and regulations  
19 implementing policies, procedures and standards for the  
20 long-term leasing of state lands for industrial, commercial  
21 and recreational purposes under the provisions of W.S.  
22 36-5-114 through 36-5-117, including provisions requiring  
23 compliance with all applicable land use planning and zoning

1 laws and permitting the board to terminate a lease for good  
2 cause shown. The long-term leasing procedures shall require  
3 notice and opportunity to comment on a long-term lease  
4 application to all owners, lessees or lawful occupants of  
5 adjoining lands.

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7 **36-6-101. Terms of leases; extensions; rules and**  
8 **regulations; rent and royalties; assignment of leases;**  
9 **grazing and agricultural leases; cooperation with United**  
10 **States or its lessees, in cooperative or unit plans.**

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12 (p) The rules and regulations adopted by the board  
13 under this section shall require, before a lease is issued  
14 or renewed pursuant to this section, notice and opportunity  
15 to comment on a lease application to all owners, lessees or  
16 lawful occupants of adjoining lands.

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18 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2023.

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20 (END)